

# HSBC GIF Multi Strategy Target Return

The next generation of flexible multi-asset funds



# Benefits for wealth clients

“MSTR” an innovative, ‘one-stop-shop’ solution designed to be a core holding in wealth client portfolios

## **Markets are volatile and uncertain**

wealth clients need flexible & diversified solution to better navigate this environment

## **MSTR is designed to wealth clients who want**

to outsource their asset allocation to invest in a flexible portfolio that delivers long term returns while protecting capital

## **MSTR’s strengths**

It offers a large investment universe in many asset classes in both developed and emerging markets

It combines directional and non-directional sources of return to improve diversification

## **Track record has been positive since inception**

- ◆ Ahead of most competitions
- ◆ Able to capture upside in equity market rallies
- ◆ Avoids downside, capturing only 23% of equity market drawdown since inception

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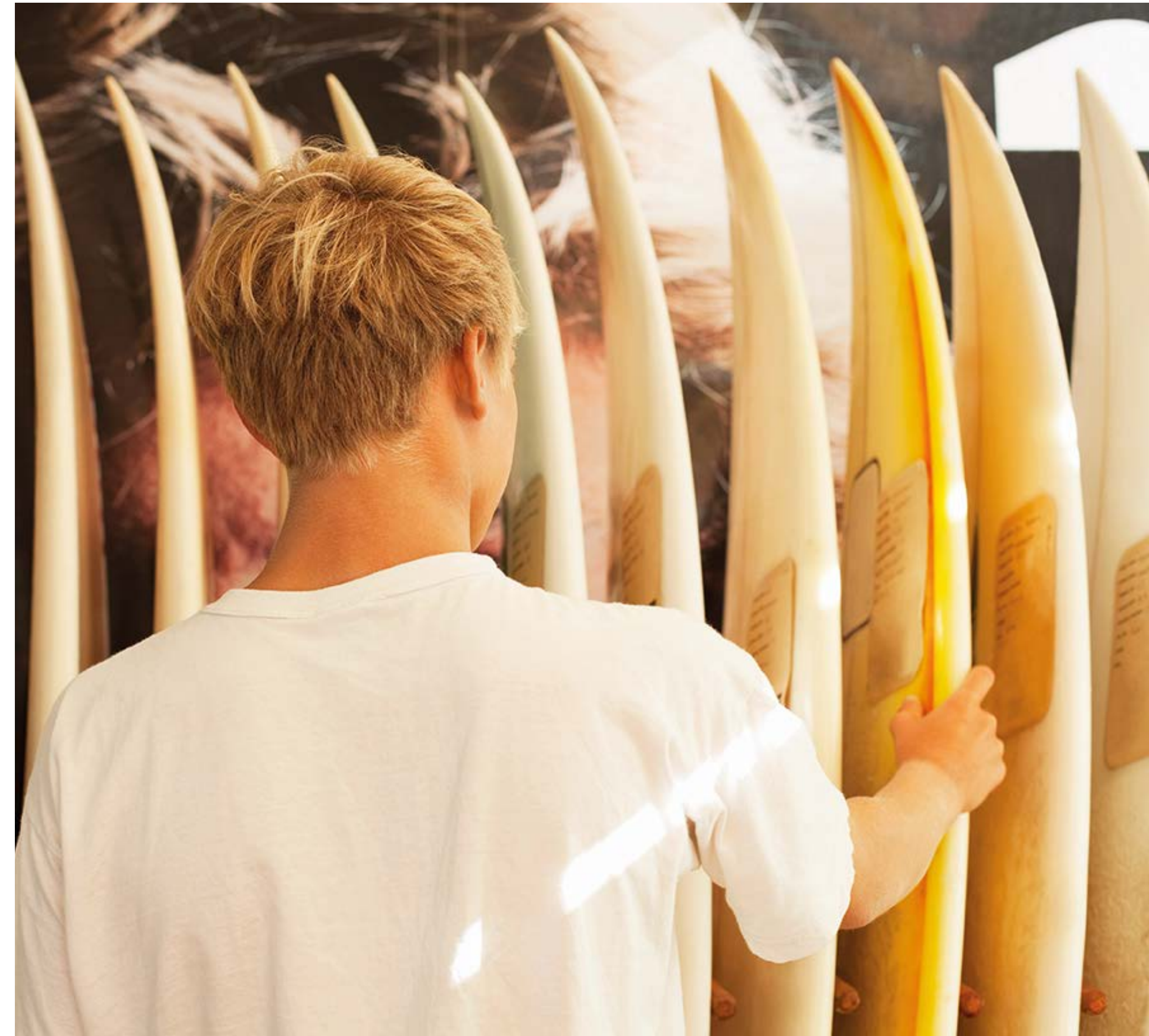
Fund highlights\*

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Diversified exposure across asset classes, with an investment approach that enhances portfolio resilience to deliver more stable returns over the long term

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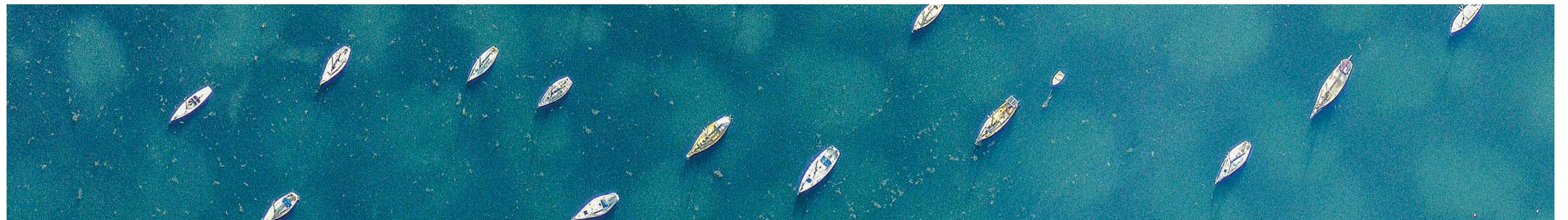




# The next generation flexible funds

A flexible solution suitable to protect and grow your clients' long term wealth

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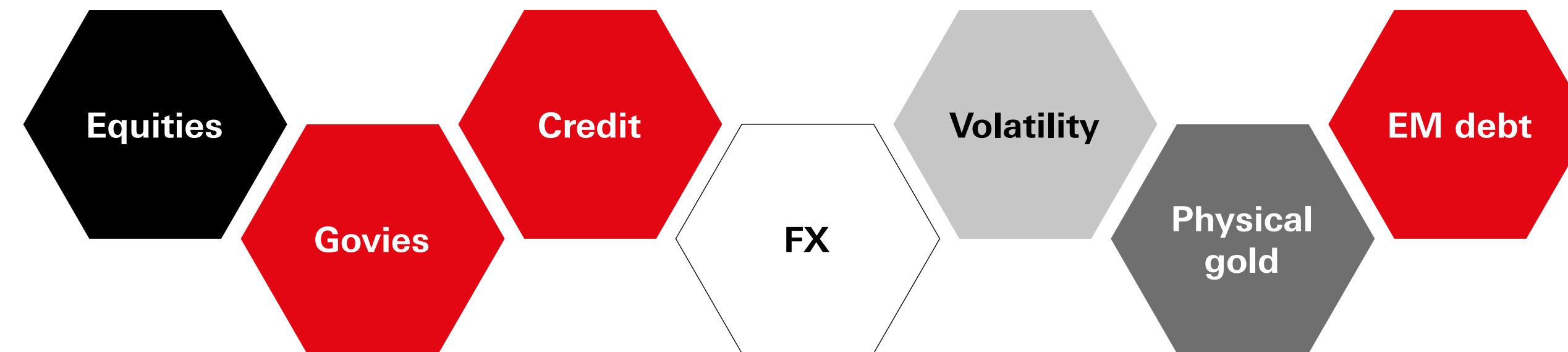
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# A broad set of opportunities

Globally invested across developed and emerging markets, with exposure to a broad range of asset classes



The asset allocation combines a flexible directional strategy with a market-neutral strategy, which is less dependent on market direction



- ◆ These 2 strategies are combined using a risk controlled framework
- ◆ Both strategies are weakly correlated which significantly improves diversification and the risk/return profile over the long term



# Unconstrained and flexible management

A flexible solution suitable to protect and grow your clients' long term wealth

## Asset class ranges



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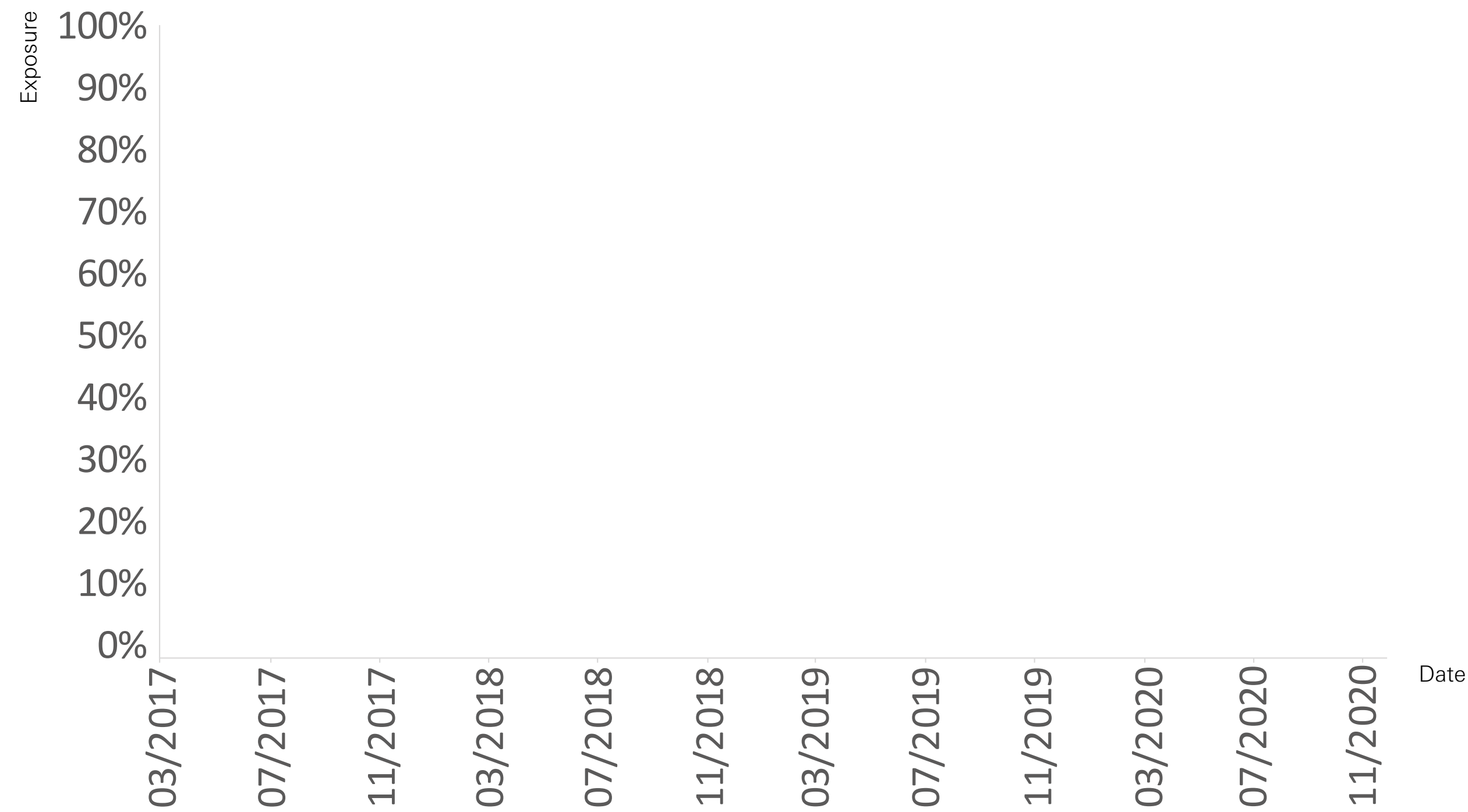
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# Unconstrained and flexible management

The directional bucket is actively managed across various asset classes, and economic regions

Evolution of the main asset class exposures since launch



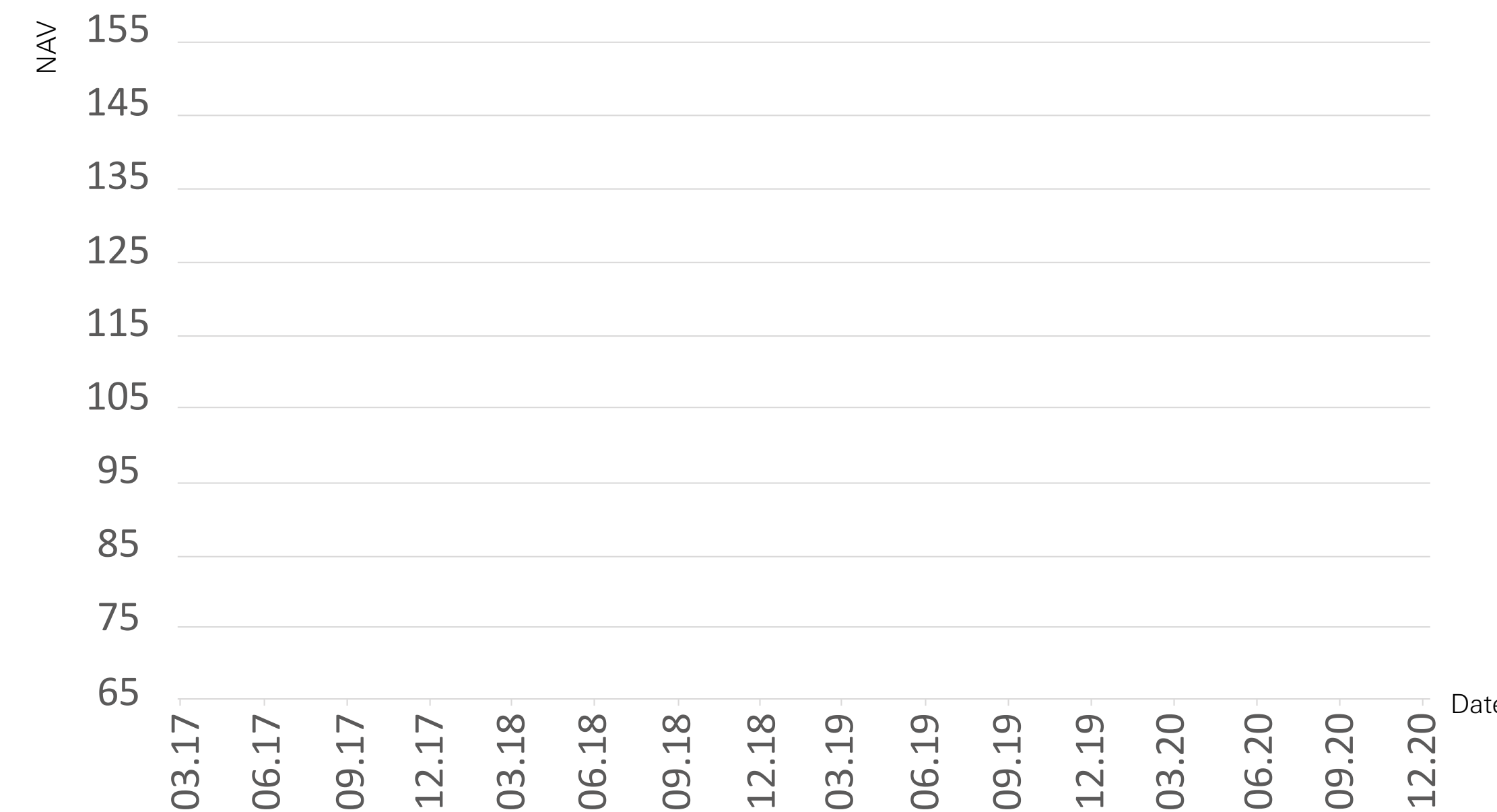
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# A robust track record since inception...

HSBC GIF Multi Strategy Target Return seeks to deliver stable and positive returns over the medium to long term whether financial markets are rising or falling

Since its launch in March 2017, the strategy has produced a positive return despite a difficult environment in 2018 and 2020. On a risk-adjusted basis, it has outperformed almost all standards asset classes

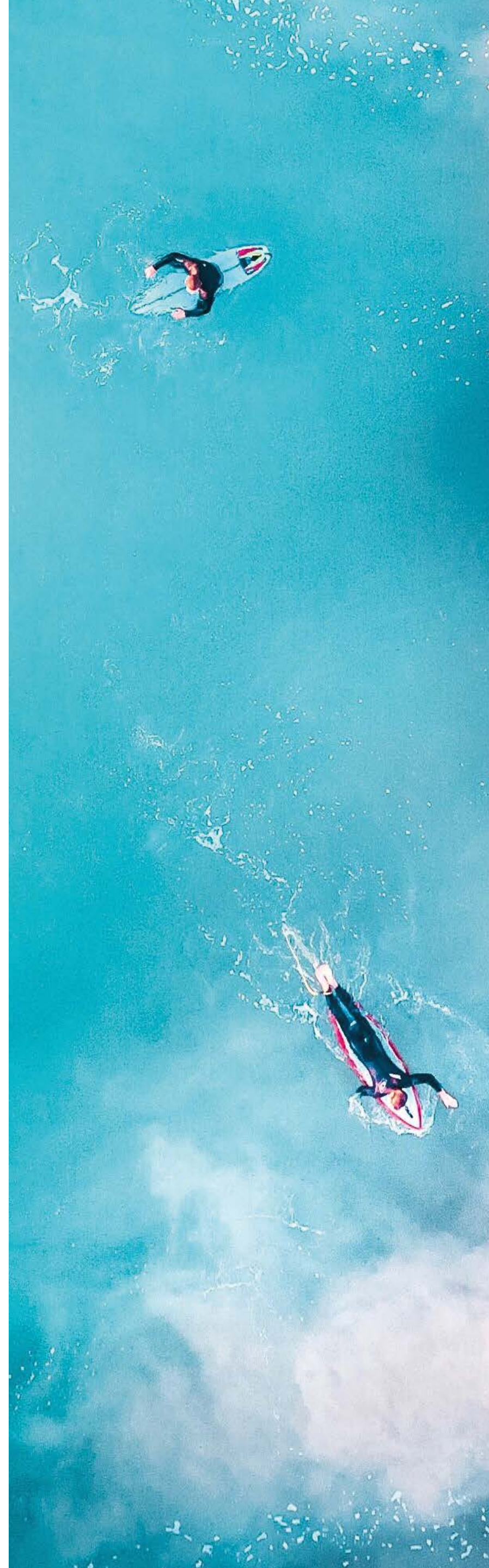
Performance of the strategy since inception



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# A robust track record since inception...

## Performance of the strategy

|                                  | 2020         | 2019         | 2018          | 3 Years       | Since launch<br>21/03/2017 | Since launch<br>21/03/2017<br>(Annualised) |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------------|--|
| <b>HGIF MSTR</b> (gross of fees) | <b>7.07%</b> | <b>9.16%</b> | <b>-1.82%</b> | <b>14.74%</b> | <b>14.54%</b>              | <b>3.66%</b>                               |
| <b>Euribor 3M</b>                | -0.41%       | -0.35%       | -0.32%        | -1.08%        | -1.33%                     | -0.35%                                     |

## Average monthly return

| <b>From 31.03.2017 to 30.12.2020</b><br>(gross of fees, in excess of cash) | # month | HGIF MSTR | MSCI<br>World EUR<br>Hedged | Difference |
|--|---------|-----------|-----------------------------|------------|
| All period   | 45      | 0.34%     | 0.88%                       | -0.54%     |
| Upside in equity markets   | 33      | 1.15%     | 2.92%                       | -1.77%     |
| Downside in equity markets   | 12      | -1.13%    | -4.73%                      | 3.60%      |

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# ...with limited downside risks

The fund demonstrated its ability to capture market rallies while limiting downside risk

**In Q1 2020**, the fund strongly resisted the downturn in the equity markets, outperforming the vast majority of asset classes and a traditional “balanced” allocation

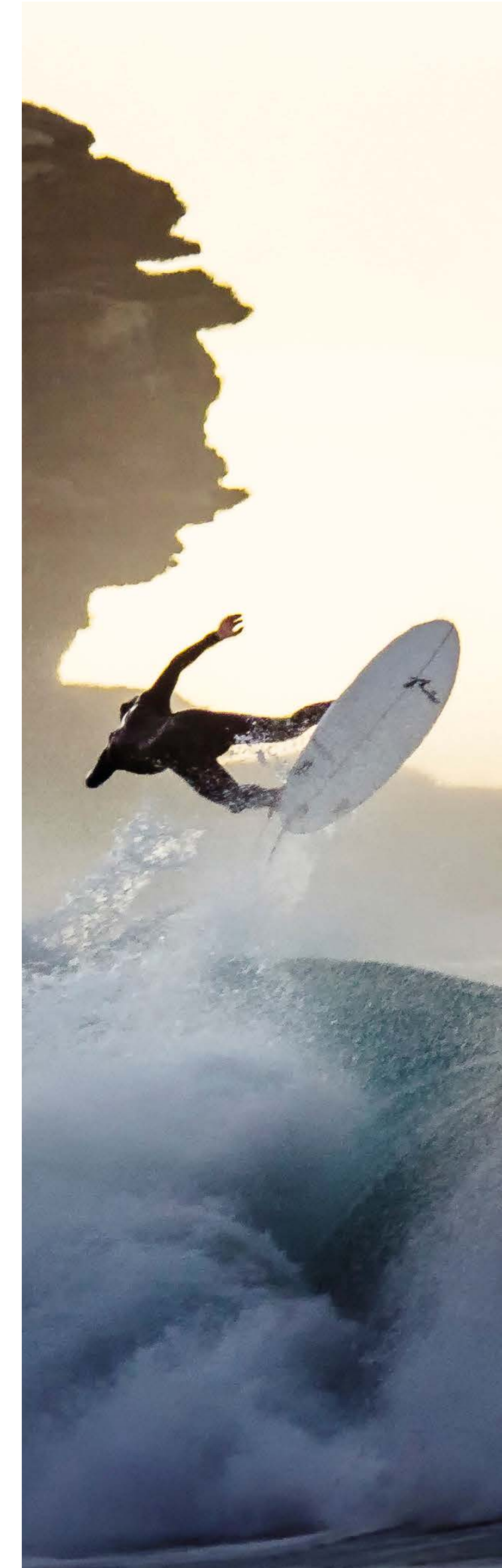
2020's Drawdowns of the main asset classes vs HGIF MSTR



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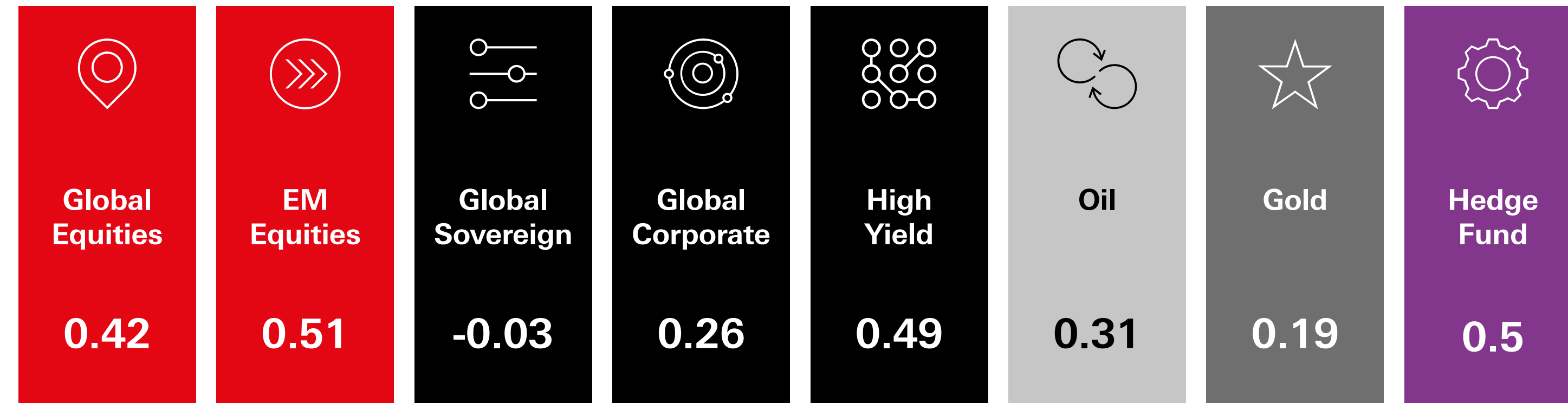




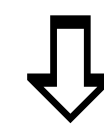
# Effective diversification

A moderate correlation to traditional asset classes makes it an ideal core holding in client portfolios

## HSBC GIF Multi Strategy Target Return



No correlation



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High correlation



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# More information



**Stéphane Mesnard** has been a multi-asset fund manager since November 2012 and he has been working in this sector since he joined the HSBC group in 2005. Before taking up his current position, he worked in the financial engineering department at Louvre Gestion (formerly Banque du Louvre), an investment management firm dedicated to the HSBC group's private banking activities in France. He earned a Master's degree in finance from Paris II – Panthéon Assas University and qualified as a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) in 2009

Multi-asset investing is a core part of HSBC Global Asset Management's activities. We have over 20 years of experience in managing multi-asset investment solutions designed to meet our clients' long-term financial objectives and manage more than USD 133.9bn of assets.

All of our multi-asset investment teams share a common philosophy that is globally consistent, systematic and repeatable, combining quantitative and qualitative inputs in a considered way. Throughout our process, we maintain a focus on risk management, applying three independent levels of risk management and oversight across all of our investments.


The multi-asset platform is comprised of over 80 investment professionals across five key offices and includes two global research teams.

Data as at end 30 September 2020.



# Administrative details

## Characteristics

|                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Legal form</b>                     | Luxembourg SICAV, UCITS - HSBC Global Investment Funds (HSBC GIF)  |
| <b>Launch date</b>                    | 21 March 2017  |
| <b>Management fees</b>                | I share class: 0.75%<br>A share class: 1.50%   |
| <b>Subscription / redemption fees</b> | Up to 3.1% maximum / No  |
| <b>ISIN codes</b>                     | IC EUR share: LU1574280472<br>AC EUR share: LU1655449863   |
| <b>Dealing</b>                        | Daily at 10.00 a.m. Luxembourg time on a dealing day   |
| <b>Valuation</b>                      | All securities are priced daily using 5:00 p.m. prices (Luxembourg time) except for IRS which are priced daily using 5:00 p.m. prices (New York time). The NAV is released on Trade Day + 1.         |
| <b>Management company</b>             | HSBC Investment Funds (Luxembourg) SA  |
| <b>Investment advisor</b>             | HSBC Global Asset Management (France)  |
| <b>Custodian / Transfer agent</b>     | HSBC Continental Europe, Luxembourg  |
| <b>Risk &amp; Reward Profil*</b>      |  <p>Lower risk ← Higher risk<br/>Typically lower rewards      Typically higher rewards</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7</p> |
| <b>Recommended investment horizon</b> | 3 years minimum  |

\*The rating is based on price volatility over the last five years, and is an indicator of absolute risk. Historical data may not be a reliable indication for the future. The value of an investment, and any income from it, may fall as well as rise, and you may not get back the amount you originally invested. The rating is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and the categorisation may shift over time. The lowest rating does not mean a risk-free investment.

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# Main risks associated to the fund

It is important to remember that the value of investments and any income from them can go down as well as up and is not guaranteed

- ◆ Credit risk: Issuers of debt securities may fail to meet their regular interest and/or capital repayment obligations. All credit instruments therefore have potential for default. Higher yielding securities are more likely to default.
- ◆ Equity risk: portfolios that invest in securities listed on a stock exchange or market could be affected by general changes in the stock market. The value of investments can go down as well as up due to equity markets movements.
- ◆ Interest rate risk: as interest rates rise debt securities will fall in value. The value of debt securities is inversely proportional to interest rate movements.
- ◆ Foreign exchange risk: where overseas investments are held, the rate of exchange of the currency may cause the value to go down as well as up.
- ◆ Emerging market risk: investments in emerging markets have by nature higher risk and are potentially more volatile than those made in developed countries. Markets are not always well regulated or efficient and investments can be affected by reduced liquidity.
- ◆ Derivative risk: the value of derivative contracts is dependent upon the performance of an underlying asset. A small movement in the value of the underlying can cause a large movement in the value of the derivative.
- ◆ Counterparty risk: the portfolio is exposed to Over the Counter (OTC) markets for all or part of its total assets. The portfolio will therefore be subject to the risk that its direct counterparty will not perform its obligations under the OTC transactions and that the fund will sustain losses.
- ◆ Volatility risk: volatility risk is the risk of a change of price of a portfolio as a result of changes in the volatility of a risk factor. It usually applies to portfolios of derivatives instruments, where the volatility of its underlyings is a major influencer of prices. In option pricing formulas, the volatility risk is showing the extent to which the return of the underlying asset will fluctuate between now and the option's expiration. The use of volatility futures (ie. VIX future) could expose (hedge) the portfolio to (against) the volatility fluctuation.
- ◆ Model risk: model risk occurs when a financial model used in the portfolio management or valuation processes does not perform the tasks or capture the risks it was designed to. It is considered a subset of operational risk, as model risk mostly affects the portfolio that uses the model.
- ◆ Commodity risk: commodity risk refers to the uncertainties of future market values caused by the fluctuation in the prices of commodities. The future price of a commodity can be affected by various factors affecting regulatory or political changes, seasonal changes, technological advancements, etc...
- ◆ Gates: The fund has a redemption threshold (gate), the level at which the manager of an undertaking for collective investment in transferable securities can stagger the redemption of securities instead of proceeding immediately.
- ◆ Swing Pricing: "Swing pricing" is a price adjustment mechanism intended to protect the unitholders, or shareholders, of a collective investment undertaking (UCI) against the transaction costs borne by this UCI due to new subscriptions or new buyouts. These transaction costs include, but are not limited to, broker commissions (for equities), the spread between the bid and ask prices (for interest rate products), taxes on financial transactions, fees transactions taken by the depositary, etc.



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